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RESPONSIBILITY FOR MINE HORROR PLACED ON MINING LAWS OF STATE

Directly to Blame Legally, is Mine Foreman--Jury Touches This Point Lightly

RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NUMEROUS

Pittsburg Coal Co. Advised Particularly to Use Safety Lamps and to Remove Electrical Machinery

Five hours of deliberation by the coroner's jury sitting in the inquest into the Cincinnati mine disaster resulted in a verdict that in effect placed the responsibility for the horrible affair upon the state mine code. Legally and unavoidably,the direct blame was placed on the mine foreman, but that part was lightly covered by the jury, which gave particular attention to the moral responsibility of the law together with recommendations for the betterment of mining conditions in the Cincinnati mine in particular and the bituminous region in general. Neither electrical machinery nor open lights will henceforth be used in the Cincinnati operations if the recommendations of the jury are hearkened unto.

The argument of the jury in reference to the State mine code is that of the inconsistency of a mine foreman operating as a paid employe of the coal company, while his certificate is issued by the state. Subservient to company orders he is an expert in whose hands is the matter of producing coal. Laxity in protective measures might be a result. At least this seems to be the idea of the coroner's jury, which desires to have things rectified.

The verdict follows:

The Verdict.

"We, the jury, find that Stephen Long and the 95 others named above came to their death in the Cincinnati mine of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke company, Washington county, Pa., on April 23, 1913, from violence and asphyxiation as a result of an explosion of gas in the said Cincinnati mine at about 12:15 p. m., while the miners were at work and the mine in operation.

"We further find by the evidence given by those that worked in the mine at the time of the explosion and previously also the state mine inspectors, experts and officials and others who made an investigation and examination of the mine after the explosion that the cause of the said explosion of gas was as follows:

"A. That it originated in 12 butt entry off 14 face entry as a result of the entryman, who worked in said entry firing a butt shot which struck a clay vein exposing a feeder of gas. After firing shot, entryman evidently went to the break-through to eat his dinner and on returning with empty car he ignited was with mitted to work; we also find that no mitted to work; we also find t hat no gas has been reported i nsaid entry since March 5, 1913 by any of the mine officials.

"B. Further that said explosion of gas which we find originated in said 12 entry reinforced itself in other entries namely: Four and six entry in which gas was generated and had been reported by the mine officials at different times and which entries were being worked with safety lamps.

Might Have Been Averted.

"C. We further find that said explosion could have been prevented had safety lamps been used in this section of the mine.

"D. While under the law the legal responsibility for any explosion such as this would rest on the mine foreman we say frankly that greater responsiblity rests upon the law and particularly upon those responsible for its enactment, for this reason. that it places the entire responsibility for the operation of the mine on the man granted a certificate of competency by the state but employed and paid by the owner and operator, certainly an absurdity on the face of it and one that under human events will not successfully protect life either in theory or practice. If the present system must continue, surely the legal responsibility ought to be placed upon the owner or operator equally with the mine foreman. Guided by the testimony given, opinions expressed by those in official capacity as well as those employed in and about the mine we make the following recommendations:

Recommendations.

"First: To the management of the Cincinnati mine that hereafter it be operated by safety lamps as a whole and that no machinery be used that would make possible the emission of sparks. Surely the lesson to be learned here is the folly of working a gaseous mine with part open and part safety lamps.

"Second: To the legislature and senate of this state that if it is your desire to make safe the operation of mines that in the enactment of mining legislation you be guided more by the opinions of those entrusted with the responsibility of safe-guarding lives, namely: The state mine inspectors, the mine foreman and the miner, rather than the opinion of the corporation, attorneys and managers of corporations, who from a careful reading of the present law seem to have in mind the competitive nature of business and the protection of property rather than the safe-guarding of human life.

"Third: To the department of mines: We recommend that a more definite report be required from the fire bosses and mine foreman of the dangers existing in the mine in their daily and weekly reports. For instance, if gas be discovered that they be required to state what part of the working place found, whether it be on fall, clay vein, roof, or face of working place and if possible in what volume.

"Four: We call attention to this fact that while many of the mines of this district are working in whole or part with safety lamps that it is not because of any legal requirement, but rather because of the diligence of the inspectors. hence until the final authority for the same operation of the mines be vested where it should be in the state inspectors of mines, without the right of the reverse of appeal by common pleas and supreme courts with all its delays, that the owners and operators or managers of mine cheerfully comply with the recommendation of inspectors, particularly those made for the purpose of safeguarding life and they should not be considered a business hardship.

"Further we recommend that at

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LAW IMPERFECT IS TESTIMONY

Witnesses Heard on Tuesday Afternoon in Cincinnati Mine Inquest

LOCAL MAN ON STAND

"The law is not perfect." Such was the admission on the witness stand of State Mine Inspector Charles P. McGregor of the seventh bituminous district, Tuesday afternoon in the closing hours of the Cincinnati mine disaster inquiry conducted at Monongahela by Coroner James T. Heffran. Mine Inspector McGregor was one of a party of five State inspectors that visited the wrecked Cincinnati mine after the terrible explosion there on April 23. Others of the party were I. G. Roby, of Uniontiwn, inspector in the fifth district; Thomas K. Adams of Mercer, inspector in the third district; Joseph William of Altoona, inspector in the tenth district and Arthur Neale of Irwin, inspector in the 19th district.

Inspector McGregor in giving his testimony to the coroner's jury theorized as to causes of the explosion that resulted in the loss of 96 lives, his explanation being the same as that of Mine Inspector Alexander Mc Canch of the first district. It had been caused by the liberation of gas through the breaking down by two shots in 12 butt off 11 face entry fired subsequently by a miner with an open light. Apparently the e had been a secondary explosion coming from gas in No. 6 and No. 4 butt entries.

"Do you believe in mixed lights in a mine," asked District Attorney Richard G. Miller.

"I do not believe in mixed lights anywhere," the inspector replied.

Asked to define his idea of danger in a gaseous mine, Inspector McGregor, who is a miner of long experience both in the United States and in Scotland, illustrated:

"Say that mixed light are used in a mine. In one part I take an open light. I see a danger board. I stick my head over the danger board. Then I'm in danger and have to use a safety light. See?"

The coroner's jury saw.

"Don't you honestly think now, Mr. McGregor," asked Coroner Heffran in an effort to extract specific information," that it would be all right to work some mines with mixed lights. where they are not too gaseous?"

"If I were in a powder magazine, do you think it would be wise for me to strike a match?" flashed McGregor.

"Would you shut down a fan if there was even the least indication of gas? Now I mean gas even that would not be ignited." Attorney C. M. Johnston for the ittsburg Coal company put the question.

"If there was the least indication of gas or in my mind the least doubt, I would shut down the fan." Attorney Johnston had no more questions to ask.

Among other witnesses called during the afternoon's session was F. W. Cunningham of Charleroi, mine inspector in the 21st bituminous dis-

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ISSUE OF BONDS FOR $220,000

Amount to be Expended by County for Bridge and Highways

ISSUE IS AUTHORIZED

At a meeting Tuesday of the county commissioners and controller at Washington the commissioners authorized the controller to advertise for bids for the sale of $120,000 worth of road improvement bonds. The commissioners also unanimously agreed to improve about 12 miles of road during the coming summer. The bids for the improvement of the roads selected will be opened on June 9.

At this same meeting the commissioners authorized the controller to advertise for the sale of $100,000 worth of bonds the proceeds to be used for Washington county's share of the new Brownsville bridge to be built by Fayette and Washington counties. Engineers for both counties are now at work on the bridge plans, working under the direction of a supervising architect representing both counties.

The roads to be improved are chiefly a continuation of those already improved in various parts of the county. One of these is the road over the hill from Donora to Eldora a distance of 11,450 feet.

CARNIVAL DRAWS A LARGE CROWD

Interesting Attractions Provided at North Charleroi This Week

A show that is nothing more or less than wonderful is being featured this week at the Hatch carnival being conducted for the benefit of the North Charleroi fire department at North Charleroi. This is the La ose Electric Fountain, a spectacular production of fire, smoke and water.

Mr. Larose himself conducts the show. From a large circular tank-like affair streams of water arise at the will of the operator. By the use of electric lights all sorts of colors are richly blended. Through a scientifice arrangement all kinds of displays were produced by the water ending in a display of sky rockets issued from the center of the water display. One of the features of the show was that af a beautiful woman posing directly in the center of the water. the tiny vari-colored streams forming a veil around her. Another woman performed the serpentine dance within the fountain.

Other attractions are fully up to the advance announcements. Among them are the wild west show, the Hatch moving picture show of local events—a most interesting sight showing fire drills and children marching from schools in Charleroi. "Dolleta," the smallest mother in the world wit hher two normal sized children, the museum of living wonders. the vaudeville. the merry-go-round. ferris wheel, and oriental scenes from the far East are other attractions.

HAVE NOT LOCATED MISSING MESSENGER

Belle Vernon Not Included

Bank President Says Money Was Never Shipped by Adams Express Company

There was no money from the Belle Vernon First National bank contained in the package said to have been abstracted from an Adams Express company's shipment from Charleroi, according to President B. F. Taylor of the Belle Vernon institution. "The report is entirely wrong about our connection with the loss of money" said Mr. Taylor this morning. He stated that money was seldom if ever shipped by Adams Express, whatever express shipments were made, going by American Express. Mr. Taylor desired that the position of the Belle Vernon bank be made clear.

WILD WEST SHOW HERE FOR TODAY

Parade One of the Features of the Early Afternoon

GIVING PERFORMANCES

Although Young Buffalo's Wild West and Col. Cummings' Far East combined shows did not reach town until nearly 11 o'clock, they were enabled to give a parade and both the afternoon performance on schedule time. The show came here from Washington. but got hung up en route and the outfit was not able to reach here earlier.

Crowds of people thronged the street from an early hour this morning waiting for the show and when it finally arrived the process of unloading and setting up the tents was watched by the multitude. The street parade was a typical wild west exhibition, the array of cowboys, Indians, Mexicans as well as other rough riders of the far west constituting a striking appearance. A special feature was the 20-ox team, showing how the pioneer settlers traveled across the plains in the days of '49. The parade was witnessed by large crowds of people who lined the streets along its route.

Two exclusive features of the show of unusual interest are the shooting by Annie Oakley, who it will be remembered was in Charleroi some time ago under the auspices of the Charleroi gun club, when she was demonstrating for the Remington Arms people and a cartridge manufactory. Miss Oakley is the champion woman shot with both shotgun and rifle. The other exclusive feature is the two performing troupes of elephants. The star of these is Tiny Muggins, the

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Man Accused of Express Robbery Eludes Search of Detectives

NO CLUES DISCOVERED

Investigations Continued—Amount Taken May be $30,000 Instead of $14,000

Thus far, it is stated, the detectives who are working on the case of the express robbery between Charleroi and Pittsburg, have not been able to locate Harry T. McLaughlin, the missing Adams Express messenger, who is believed to have gotten away with at least $14,000, which was consigned from the up river towns to a Pittsburg bank. The Adams Express people are not giving out detailed information in regard to the amount of money missing, but some of the detectives working on the case are reported to have said that the amount is greater than at first reported and may aggregate $30,000.

Monday and Tuesday the detectives were up this way, stopping at the various towns where the Adams Express people were checking up the "value" books of the local agents, from which places consignments of cash are made from time to time. The report first current was that the messenger, or whoever got away with the money, opened a package and abstracted a part of the contents, approximating $14,500. Later, some of the detectives working on the case are alleged to have stated that this would have been impossible, as the packages are sealed in such a manner that detection would have been immediate. Had a package shown evidence of being tampered with, the agent at the destination would have refused to receive it, and attention to the matter would have been called at once.

It is now reported that instead of abstracting a part of the contents of a money package entrusted to his care while enroute on the train, the messenger hypothecated the whole package, or more than one if others has been consigned on that day. The express company is keeping the matter as quiet as possible, and is not giving out definite information concerning the exact amount of money missing. It is also stated that while the Adams Express company has made good the losses to the consignees, for which they are responsible. they in turn will hold the bonding company responsible which carried the surety of the missing messenger,if the loss of the money can be fastened upon him.

Farmers to Hold Institute.

The spring meeting of the Farmer's Annual Normal institute and State Board of Agriculture will be held in the Town hall, Washington, Tuesday, May 20, Wednesday, May 21, Thursday, May 22 and Friday, May 23. A number of noted agriculturalists will be present, among whom will be Secretary of Agriculture N. B. Critchfield of the state department.

"The Vengeance of Heaven" a two reel drama at the Star. 5c. 249-tf

Mrs. Charles Finkbiner and children of Donora are visiting in town.

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THE LAW TO BLAME.

By fixing the responsibility for the Courtney mine disaster on the mine foreman legally, who used both open and safey lamps in a dangerous mine and on the law morally which permitted him to do so, the coroner's jury rendered a verdict that should strikingly demonstrate the value of human life as opposed to pecuniary profit and property interests. The law permitted the mining companies to take this chance in the interests of profit and investment when human life was at stake, which resulted in the ghastly toll of life, to say nothing of the economic loss to the community by the death of large body of productive workers and the attendant care of dependent widows and orphans.

More and more is the safe-guarding of human life and the well-being of society coming to be the first consideration in public policy. The old fetich of vested interests and pecuniary profits, which is based on selfishness and greed, is fast giving way to the policy of the greatest good to the greatest number. While this has supposedly been the fundamental basis of our form of government, public toleration of the encroachments of wealth and power have so strongly entrenched the fetich of vested interests that until comparatively recent times these practically dictated and controlled not only the ethical conduct of society, but public policy and legislation as well. All this is rapidly changing. The well-being of society, popular rights and first of all safety to life and limb, must be the controlling factors of government. Special privileges must give way to the common good.

LOCAL COUPLE WEDDED QUIETLY IN PITTSBURG

Miss Nell Barrow, a popular young woman of Charleroi and Walter Clark of Belle Vernon were quietly wedded in Pittsburg Tuesday. They left here early in the morning returning in the evening to Belle Vernon. For the present Mr. and Mrs. Clark will make their home in Belle Vernon and it is likely they will take a wedding trip later. Mr. Clark is employed by the Pittsburg and Lake Erie railroad and is the son of William Clark. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barrow of Charleroi.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

The Monongahela coroner's jury had said that there would be no whitewash in the mine inquest. There wasn't.

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J. P. Morgan was a patriot with deep love for his country, according to the latest announcement. Let them have that comfort as long as they don't try to get Congress to give a million or so for a monument to his memory.

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The tariff measure has at least and at last got a good start.

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Somebody wants to know what makes a city grow. From best evidence and from scientific observations taken at rare intervals by rare people it would seem the proper conclusion and answer would be, "The people."

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A firm in a tiny town in the south announces that it will undertake the publication of a metropolitan paper. Undertake is good. Next word will be the undertaker.

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Some women lay claim to being expert gardeners whose ability is only that of raking scandals.

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Spring Song.

'Tis the merry month of May
When we need not purchase coal,
On this theme I'd sing a lay,
But for ice I'm in a hole.

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This cubist painting ought to increase our vocabulary in strength Only an iron man or one of the painters could look at a painting without picturesque utterance.

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An exchange remarks that dark streets are great for lovers. Note: Wonderful discovery.

The playhouse that never disappoints: Star Theatre. 249-tf

BIG WATER MAIN TO BE INSTALLED ON LINCOLN AVE.

Within a few days work will be commenced on the installation of a new large water main along Lincoln avenue by the I. R. Fike company for the Charleroi Water company. The big main will extend from Second to Eleventh street. From Second to Sixth it will be a 12-inch main and from Sixth to Eleventh a 14-inch main. The purpose of the main will be to increase the pressure of water for the hill district of Charleroi.

At the present time the hill district is supplied with water by a system of flow from the reservoir. The new system to be put into use when the big main is installed will effect a change, so that the water for the hill section where the pressure is now weak will be towards the reservoir. This will give it is believed the extra needed pressure. There are several large main running east and west leading to and from the reservoir but practically no large mains running north and south as the new main will.

WOMEN BEGIN CONVENTION

The 30th annual convention of the Women's General Missionary society of the United Presbyterian church of North America is being held at Washington. It opened Monday and about 300 delegates are present, including many notable missionary workers from all parts of the union. It is a national gathering and is attracting much outside attention.

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"He is an old experienced man in vice and wickedness he is never found opposing the works of iniquity he takes delight in the downfall of the neighborhood he never rejoices in the prosperity of any of his fellow creatures he is always ready to assist in destroying the peace of society he takes no pleasure in serving the Lord he is uncommonly diligent in sowing discord among his friends and acquaintances he takes no pride in laboring to promote the cause of Christianity he has not been negligent in endeavoring to stigmatize all public teachers he makes no exertions to subdue his evil passions he strives hard to build up Satan's kingdom he lends no aid to the support of the gospel among the heathens he contributes largely to the evil adversary he pays no attention to good advice he gives great heed to the devil he will never go to heaven he must go where he will receive his just recompense of reward."

It is related that at a recent Bull Moose gathering at the county seat speakers were telling how long they had been in politics and why they had left the Republican or Democratic party. A colored Progressive worker rose to his feet and said:

"Up to last year I voted the Republican ticket, and I had been voting that ticket since I was eighteen years old."

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MEMBERS LOCAL CIRCLE TO TAKE WASHINGTON TRIP

Misses Nellie Strausser and Sara K. Booth, both of Charleroi are to participate in the free On to Washington Trip under the auspices of the Protected Home Circle, to attend the sessions of the Supreme Circle, which will be held in the national capital next week. They will leave for Sharon headquarters of the order, on Saturday morning and be gone for a week.

A number of side trips have been arranged for the special train, including a two-days' stop at Gettysburg battlefield, where Major Alex. McDowell, former Clerk of the House of Representatives in Washington, will deliver an adddress.

Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan will welcome the delegates to Washington and Major McDowell will respond.

A gain in membership of almost 8000—an unprecedented record among fraternal organizations—will feature one of the reports to be read at the biennial convention. While this big increase in the membrship of the order, which now boasts of more than 90,000 was due to workers in the various Circles, they were coached by the Supreme Officers, who are likely to be rewarded by a unanimous election for another term of four years.

The trip to Washington will be a memorable one. More than 250 members of the P. H. C. have earned a free trip to the convention by their ability to secure new members.

The festivities in connection with the biennial convention will commence in Sharon, Pa., next Saturday. Those eligible for the trip will go to Sharon, inspect the newly-remodeled and beautiful temple of the order, in which the wedding of Miss Mary Schmidt and Louis Schmidt, both of Pittsburg will take place. They will also witness an exhibition drill by the Banner Degree Team of Sharon Circle, No. 1. Late in the afternoon they will board a special train and go to Pittsburg via Youngstown. From that time until the following Thursday the members of the order will have a big time, in addition to attending the sessions of the Supreme Circle.

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Who wish to go to the Grand Lodge Session held at the Font Pitt Hotel, Pittsburg on Wednesday evening, May 14th, are requested to meet at 5th and McKean avenue in time for the 6:12 p. m. car. 249t2

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

M. T. Crowley of McKean avenue is in Scranton as a delegate to the State convention of the Knights of Columbus.

Rev. L. W. and Mrs. Shey are attending the Episcopal convention at St. Stephens at Sewickley today and tomorrow.

J. B. F. Leonhart of Waynesburg and Rev. G. G. Kerr of Canonsburg were in town Tuesday.

Robert McGowan has returned from a week's visit in Boston, Mass.

E. W. Hastings was in Pittsburg on business Tuesday.

J. O. Guseman is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. R. Chalfant of Fallowfield avenue.

Mrs. Bert Mitchell has gone to Butler to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hott went to Pittsburg today.

Mrs. Savage of Washington was a visitor here on her way home from California.

C. S. McKean is a Pittsburg visitor today.

Rev. John R. Burson was a Pittsburg visitor Tuesday to see Frank Arrison at one of the hospitals.

Dr. F. C. Stahlman visited in Pittsburg.

Henry Mouly has gone to New York city to sail for France where he will spend some months.

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She—What an awfully tall man Lord Lofty is! He—They say he's painfully short.

Wise Precaution.

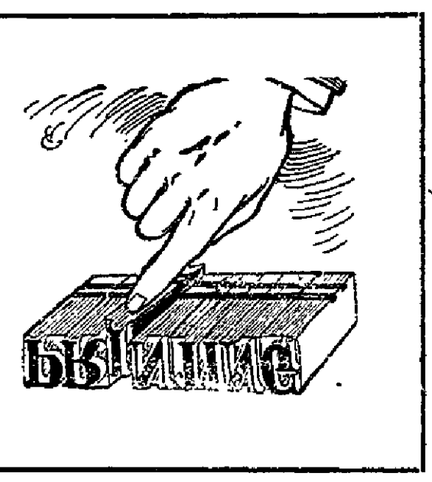
Shopper—I want to buy a necktie suitable for my husband. Salesman—Sorry, madam, but we are not permitted to sell neckties to women who are unaccompanied by men.—Puck.

He Knew.

"What happens," shouted the candidate, "when you put the almighty dollar before the man?" "The man goes after it," answered the old farmer in the front row.

Literally True.

"Say, Chimpie, wot's a suffragette?" "A suffragette's a woman who wants a chance to knock the stuffing out of the ballot-box."—Judge.



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TURNED THE JOKE ON BISHOP

Great Episcopal Churchman Found That Rabbi Could Give as Good a Shot as He Got.

Mrs. Champ Clark, who is as well known for her brilliancy in conversation as her husband, the speaker of the house of representatives, is for his fame in politics, tells this story:

The late Bishop Potter of New York had a most unclerical relish for practical jokes and pointed anecdotes. His cosmopolitan spirit loved men and things, and nothing pleased him better than to gather a group of congenial spirits about him and swap jokes.

One day he met a friend, a distinguished Jewish rabbi, and said to him in great seriousness:

"Rabbi, I am greatly worried about a dream I had the other night. I dreamed I died and went to the Jewish heaven. And who do you suppose were the only occupants?"

"I don't know, I'm sure," said the rabbi.

"Pawnbrokers and second-hand clothing men," laughed the bishop.

The rabbi said nothing.

Shortly after, however, he met the bishop. "Why bishop," he said, "I had a dream myself the other night."

"Yes," said the bishop uneasily; "and what did you dream?"

"I dreamed I went to the Christian heaven."

"Well," pursued Potter, bracing himself, "who did you find there?"

"Nobody," answered the rabbi.—Popular Magazine.

WHY THE PASTOR WAS LATE

On the Way to a Wedding He Met a Deer, and Stopped to Kill the Animal.

The Rev. H. H. Thomas, pastor of the Baptist church at Greenwood and Womley, started to Greenwood to officiate at a wedding, and, says the Arkansas Gazette, after a six mile drive from Mount Ida he saw a large deer chased by a pack of hounds

The preacher forgot about the wedding and followed the deer. He approached the large buck, which came to him, and they "locked horns." The deer lost his footing, and so did the minister, and they went tumbling down the hillside together.

"I came up on top," said the preacher, "and in some way I got my knife open and cut the deer's throat, and while holding to the long, shaggy horns the deer gave a big leap with me and jumped into the water, carrying me with him. There he died in a few minutes and I pulled him out, got a wagon and hauled the deer into Mount Ida."

The preacher, after being three hours late, telephoned to Greenwood, and, buying a new suit of clothes, served at the wedding of W. R. Burt and Miss Lillian Anderson.

Compliments of the Season.

Whether or not this story, sent to the London Telegraph by its Paris correspondent, is fact or invention, it has so delightful a flavor of the Orient that every one will feel that it ought to be true:

When the sultan of Turkey gave orders for the mobilization of his troops he sent the king of Bulgaria a sack of millet with the following letter:

"Ferdinand Effendi. Mobilize if you like, but be assured that there are as many soldiers in Turkey as there are grains of millet in this sack. Now, if you wish, declare war."

Ferdinand's reply was in kind. He sent a much smaller sack, filled with tiny grains of the hottest red pepper of the country. With it went the following letter:

"Dear Sultan. The Bulgarians are not numerous, it is true, but be assured that to stick your nose into their affairs is like sticking it into our national condiment. Try it and see. They will sting you so sharply that the whole of Asia will not be able to save you."—Youth's Companion.

Wealth in Music.

In view of its strange influence over man's heart and life, it is no wonder that the greatest minds of all ages have taxed all language to express their conception of the full value of music. Our education is too gross and utilitarian. We have made too much of the intellect and too little of the feelings. No parent has done his full duty to his child until during the precious memory years before sixteen he has given the child's mind as a precious memory forever the great patriotic hymns of home and native land, the folklore hymns of his race, the great classic hymns that sing of man's need and the pathos of God's love, the sublimity of immortality and mystery that lies beyond For music has full power of pathos and sublimity and can lift man into the ether of the upper world, can wash the dust from the soul's wings and make it triumphant.—N. D. Hillis.

Lack of Space.

Charles H. Taylor, Jr., one of the owners of the Boston Globe, was very busy in his office one morning when there appeared before him Charles S. Howard, the dramatic editor of the paper, with a big kick about his criticisms having been cut down so that they filled a very little space.

"Can't help it," said Taylor crisply "The paper is crowded with advertisements, and they mean money. We must keep that dramatic stuff cut down"

"Well, by thunder!" exploded Howard. "I guess next year you'll be ordering me to write wordless criticisms."

"Oh, no," said Taylor lightly; "not wordless—just spaceless."

PROUD OF HIS SELF-CONTROL

Mrs. Brown Could Agree With Her Liege Lord, Too, That It Was Something Uncommon.

Mr. Brown was excitable by nature, but he often prided himself audibly upon his self-control. One night while the family were gathered at the tea table the chimney began to roar; the furnace draft had been opened and forgotten. Straightway a panic ensued.

"Don't lose your heads—keep cool!" cried Mr. Brown. "It's nothing serious."

He dashed up the stairs, discovered that the metal cap over the only unused stovepipe hole was already red hot, and dashed down again faster than he went up.

"K-keep cool!" he gasped, as he passed through the room where the family had gathered in nervous apprehension. "I'll be back in a minute."

He was back in less than that time, having observed that the flames were spouting several feet high from the chimney, and that a shower of sparks was falling upon the roof.

"Wh-where's the step-ladder?" he panted.

He was gone before anyone could answer the question, and presently was heard bellowing from the roof of the woodshed. He presented an heroic figure in the glare of the blazing chimney.

"I've got one end of the hose!" he called. "Some one attach the other end and turn on the water—quick!"

Two long minutes passed.

"Why doesn't some one do as I ordered?" he thundered. "Do you want the place to burn up?"

"We can't, Henry!" called Mrs. Brown, tremblingly. "You haven't got the hose—you've got the cow-rope. It was hanging next to the hose in the shed. And anyway, the roof is covered with ice, and I don't think there's any great danger outside. You'd better go and watch the chimney from the inside."

A half-hour later the family were again at the tea table.

"If this had happened in some homes," remarked Mr. Brown, "the family would have lost their heads completely and sent in an alarm. Self-control is an excellent thing—and far from common."

"Indeed it is!" agreed Mrs. Brown, emphatically.—Youth's Companion.

BASEBALL FOR THE FARMER

Possibly the Game Might Be of Benefit to Him, But It Is Hardly Indispensable.

Baseball never has been regarded exclusively as a city product. While it is true that the cities supply the enormous crowds that support the big leagues, it is equally true that many of the players in those leagues are graduates of the "bush" leagues. The country boy has an equal chance with the city boy to win the high honors and generous emoluments of a successful ball player. The farmer himself has not come directly in touch with the national game, perhaps, except on a rare holiday. A professor in the Kansas State Agricultural college calls this a mistake. Familiarity with the game, he believes, would promote success in agriculture. If the farmer would play ball "it would take the shamble out of his walk" and "make him decide quickly." This is an interesting theory, but it will not be universally accepted. Some will contend that the motor car has already taken the "shamble" out of the farmer's walk. Others will insist that handling a high spirited horse or pitching a load of hay on a wagon while a thunderstorm is gathering is just as valuable in training his mental faculties to quick action.—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

Rose Culture in Bulgaria.

White and red roses are grown, the former being easier to cultivate, but giving only about half as much oil of an inferior quality. The individual growers distil their own oil Twelve to fifteen kilos of roses are distilled with 60 kilos of water until 12 kilos of distillate are obtained, eight to ten such lots are then united, and redistilled into long necked flasks, in which the oil separates on standing. To produce one kilo of oil requires 3,000 kilos of roses of 1,200,000 flowers The roses are gathered in the early morning and distilled the same day The pure oil from the various districts shows variations in odor and physical properties, and is therefore skillfully blended by the distributing houses before sale. Adulteration is very largely carried on by the peasants, who use ginger grass oil, palma rosa oil, geranium oil, etc The production for 1910 was 3,148 kilos.—The Pharmaceutical Era.

We Are Creatures of Habit.

There was no rush at the moment and the ticket chopper had time to talk to the man waiting for a friend in a subway station. "Yes, we see lots of queer people here," he said, "and we have nearly the same people every day and at the same hour. I know men who do not vary a minute in a week in their reaching the ticket box The queerest man we have at this station we call 'the whistler.' Every morning at 7:20 he drops his ticket in the box and he always whistles. That wouldn't be so funny, but for years it has always been the same tune. We all know the tune, but no one knows the song. His ticket goes in the box at the same note every morning, and then he walks to the third post, opens his paper and whistles till the train comes."—New York Tribune.

TRAINED IN HOUSEHOLD WORK

German Institution Teaches Girls Domestic Service, and Finds Great Demand for Graduates.

Berlin has an institution, founded about two years ago by a woman. The object of the "Sister School," as it is called, is to train well-educated girls for domestic service The students are generally daughters of professional men, and the curriculum comprises cookery, housework, the care of children, and needlework. When application is made for the services of a "sister," the matron, or some other woman connected with the school, calls upon the applicant, forms an opinion of the "situation," and arranges terms. Each "sister" must be allowed a free afternoon every week, one Sunday every other week from four o'clock, and a fortnight's holiday in the year. Six weeks' notice is required on each part. The salaries paid range from $7.50 to $12.50 a month, with, of course, board and lodging. Sisters wear a brown uniform, are treated as social equals, are not required to take meals with other servants, and are addressed as "Sister Marie," "Sister Hedwig," etc. The demand for their services is so great that the head of the Sister school declares that she could place 500 girls a year, instead of 50, and similar institutions are about to be established in other German towns.

MAKE WAREHOUSE OF CHURCH

Sacred Edifice at Brighton, England, Has Been Unfortunate Since Its Erection.

To serve as a cold storage warehouse for meat and eggs—such is the fate of the beautiful Church of the Resurrection at Brighton, England. Built at the expense of the late Rev. H. D. Wagner for the accommodation, it is said, of the poorer members of the congregation, and for those who preferred a ritual simpler than that of St. Paul's church on West street, this building first attracted the public attention as the subject of a curious lawsuit. Mr. Wagner planned to build a remarkably tall church, and the owners of the adjoining property, by means of a lawsuit, prevented him from so doing. Accordingly he caused deep excavations to be made, and thus secured the desired internal height The Church of the Resurrection proved to be a great expense and was closed in 1908, being, in the opinion of the present vicar of St. Paul's, no longer necessary for the purpose for which it was built In 1909, after prolonged opposition on the part of Rev. E F. B Weber, one of the trustees, it was sold. Since then it has stood empty and in disrepair, until the grotesque tragedy of its present usage occurred.—The Churchman

Tons of Iron Lost In Rust.

One large railroad system suffers a loss of more than eighteen tons of metal daily, due solely to the effect of rust Thus far the only known preventive is to keep the metal surface always covered with a suitable paint. Some idea of the costliness of this remedy, however, may be gained from the fact that it requires about $10,000 annually to paint one large railway bridge alone. A typical case of this kind is the Brooklyn bridge, upon which a corps of painters are constantly employed, as the weather makes repainting of one end of this large structure necessary before the workers have reached the other. Although experiments have demonstrated that pure iron surrounded by oxygen does not rust, and that some acid, especialy carbonic acid, is necessary for the production of rust, the secret of manufacturing rustless steel and dran remains to be discovered.

Lasting Joke.

How long will a good joke last? Who can tell? You have heard that one about the good sleighing in Canada, and how by putting on a pair of pajamas and sitting on a cake of ice before an open window and ringing a bell one can get the same effect, and much cheaper. Billy Emerson, the minstrel, originated that one over thirty-five years ago, and it is one that has never run down. DeWolf Hopper began to use it in his curtain speeches eleven years ago, and ever since, eight times a week forty weeks a season, he has used it and it has never failed to get a laugh. Always there are some in the audience who never heard it. Hopper figures that with the addition of a few score times at private functions he has "sprung" the chestnut 3,752 times It is his one best bet, he says, and expects to use it as long as he is in public life.

$20 Gold Pieces a Quarter Each.

When five boys commenced to sell $10 and $20 gold pieces on the streets of North Scranton for 25 cents each, with the supply apparently unlimited, curiosity was at once aroused as to the source of supply, and the boys were taken into custody and given the "third degree." When searched the youths' pockets produced over $500 in gold coin and when questioned they admitted that they had found a "pot of gold."

The money was buried in a box in the cellar of a house formerly occupied by Peter J. Scanlon, who during his lifetime had the reputation of being a miser. There were $620 in shiny gold pieces in the box. The boys, none of whom was over eight years of age, thought they were brass medals and sold about twenty of them before being arrested.—Scranton (Pa.) Dispatch to Philadelphia Record.

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Recording Finger Prints.

Hitherto it has been customary in following up criminal clews, to make a permanent record of finger prints by photographic means. This method, however, has a number of obvious disadvantages. Thus, for example, cases arise in which the finger print to be recorded is not accessible to an ordinary camera. Or again it may be located upon some rounded surface which cannot be properly focused. Dr. Heindl describes one or two new methods which overcome these difficulties. The first method consists in dusting the impression—which is always more or less greasy—with some colored powder, and then expressing against it a paper treated with a mixture of fifty grams wax, fifty grams paraffin, and twenty drops of glycerin. An excelent inverted copy is thus obtained, and as the paper is entirely flexible any kind of a surface can be thus treated The second method makes use of photographic gelatine paper in place of that prepared as above.

Bad Men Feel Pain More.

Does a bad man feel pain more than a man who leads an honest life? It has been stated apropos the decision of the British house of commons to punish white slavers by flogging, that by a happy provision of nature the skin appears actually to become more sensitive as the moral sense becomes deadened. A doctor said that as a rule those who are criminally inclined bear pain or bodily suffering of any kind extremely badly. Men who are quite hardened on the moral side of their character seem to get more self-conscious about their physical feelings than ordinary men do A man who is morally lax leads a loose life and destroys his nervous system. He feels pain much more acutely than a man of average temperate habits and a clean conscience

Insurance for Mountain Climbers.

Owing to the large number of accidents occurring every year to mountain climbers and tourists in the Alps, several Swiss insurance companies have established an accident policy for the benefit of persons undertaking these mountain excursions. For a premium of 12 cents a seaso ncertain Alpine clubs offer insurance to their premium of 12 cents a season certain with medical care, etc., included. An insurance company of Vienna offers "Alpine insurance" at a premium of $1.42 a year for every $203 of benefit in case of accident which causes invalidity or death The amount of the premium is less in case groups of five or ten persons are insured together. There is also an insurance policy issued for the winter season against ski and bobsleigh accidents in the Alps

End of a Noted Folly.

The monocle has long since been out of fashion in England, and is soon to disappear from Paris, which has been its last stronghold. It was invented by a Dutch dandy, and its evil effects upon the eye were at once noted by oculists. The monocle first appeared at the congress of Vienna in 1814, when it was worn by its inventor One folly, at least, has had only about a century of life.

Couldn't See His Third.

During the cotton-picking season in Texas a colored brother who had gone into the country to work returned very much disgusted "Don't yo' git no offahs ter pick no cotton?" asked a friend. "Sech ez dey was. White man done offered me one-third o' wat Ah could pick Ah done tuk a look at de field an' saw dat when it wah all picked it wouldn't amount ter one-third. So Ah done lit out fer home!"

Even the Chanticleer.

Clarence was leaving early that night. The cuckoo had just sounded the eleventh hour. In the back yard the family rooster uttered a maudlin crow. "Clarence," called her father from an upper window, "will it trouble you to step around back of the house and throttle that rooster? He heard the door close and he thinks it's daylight."

Lemon Hint.

Instead of throwing away hard, dry lemons, put them in a pan of hot water and set it where it will maintain about the same degree of heat without boiling for two hours. When taken out and dried the lemons will be as soft and juicy and rich in flavor as though they had never grown hard. —McCall's Magazine.

Voice of the Charmed One.

Fair Suffragette—"And now, if any one who has heard my speech wishes to ask a question, I shall be happy to answer." Masculine Voice (from rear of hall)—"If you haven't any other company, may I see you home this evening?"—Judge.

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LAW IMPERFECT IS TESTIMONY

(Continued from First Page)

trict, who had accompanied a party including the coroner into the mine on a tour of inspection after the explosion. Mr. Cunningham probably made it clearer in the minds of the jurymen than had any previous witnesses exactly the way the explosion at the Cincinnati mine had occurred. He exhibited a neat sketch of the interior portion of butt 12 off 14 entry, showing where two shots had been fired and where the miner who had fired them had probably gone to eat his dinner. He explained how the miner had likely pushed his car, head downward to theend of butt 12, then raised his head. From the open light on his cap, the gas he believed had ignited.

Van Bitner, president of District No. 5, United Mine Workers of America was asked the question when he was called to the staand, if he thought the mining law that referred to the certification by the state of a mine foreman and employment by the coal corporation was a good one. "No I do not," was his emphatic answer. Bitner had visited the mine with the coroner's party. He stated that he did not believe in electrical machines because they gave off sparks. Frankly Van Bitner placed the responsibility for the explosion on the law.

Robert Gaitens, of Noblestown, a miner of 30 years' experience and a fire boss, also of the party that went through the mine with Coroner Heffran, spoke emphatically in favor of safety lamps and deplored the use of mixed lights in any gaseous mine.

Walter R. Calverly spent some time on the stand reading a detailed report made to James E. Roderick, chief of the State Department of Mines concerning the causes of the disaster. Mr. Calvarly who is the general superintendent of the Benwind-White company was one of a committee of practical miners to inspect the Cincinnati mine after the explosion at the request of Chief Roderick. Others of the commission were J. H. Sanford, of the Carnegie Coal Co., and G. M. McKinney of McKeesport. Mr. Calverly's report was similar to those made by previous witnesses.

Before closing the inquest late in the afternoon Coroner Heffran made the statement that all possible enlightenment had been secured and asked if there was anyone that could add anything to the testimony already given. Charles "Banjo" Crall, one of the two men who were rescued after 52 hours from the mine interior responded and told of overhearing a remark about a man saying he was working out his notice. Orall failed to give any testimony of real importance. He was the witness. Coroner Heffran made a somewhat lengthy address to the jury, reading from the mine code of 1911 and detailing points. The jury was given the case at about 3:30.

LOCAL MAN WELL THOUGHT OF BY HOMESTEAD

Prof. I. T. Daniel, supervisor of music in the Charleroi schools is the director of a chorus that is training at Homestead to participate in the international eisteddfod to take place at Pittsburg the fore part of July this year. Of his work the Homestead News-Messenger has the following to say:

"The Homestead district has been noted for many years for its high standard of musical talent and the chorus is to be congratulated on having secured the services of Prof. Iorwerth T. Daniel, of Charleroi, as director, who is universally acknowledged to possess a record of which he may well be proud of, having led his choir to victory at the Buffalo Pan-American Exposition in 1901 and at the Scranton International Eisteddfod in 1902 against some of the finest choruses in the world winning in both contests, over $3,000 in awards. It is now up to the choisters of this locality to rally around the standard and by diligent and persistent effort attain such perfection as will enable them to add still greater triumphs to their already long list of victories.

"The chorus will rehearse "King Olaf" by Sir Edward Elgar, two numbers from which will be selected for the chief choral competition to be held at Pittsburg next July. First prize $5,500 and a gold medal to the conductor: second prize. $1,500; third prize $500."

POOL PLAYERS HAVE HOT GAME

Tom Mangan defeated Leo Tubbs by the score of 600 to 555 in the elimination French pool tournament, which closed at Swickey's Tuesday night, thereby winning the diamond studded cuff buttons. Tomorrow night the elimination billiard tournament will begin. This will furnish amusement to all lovers of billiards.

California is considering the feasibility of separating the one state into two. No announcement has been made as to the reason but it is supposed that there are not enough political jobs to go around under the present arrangement.

TANK IS STARTED AT BELLE VERNON

One tank of the American Window Glass company plant at Belle Vernon which was shut down several weeks ago by a strike of workmen is in operation this week, the regular men for that tank having returned to their duties. They return under practically the same conditions that they went out at the time of the strike. There is declared to be no intention to start the second tank of the factory at this time. Later perhaps it may be fired. This will depend upon conditions.

Rev. Leroy Stevens of Lewisburg, made an address at the First Baptist church Tuesday night on the subject of ministerial education.

Lots For Sale.

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CLIFF DWELLINGS VERY OLD

Head of Surveying Party Says Those of Utah Were Constructed Many Centuries Ago.

Cliff dwellings more than 1,000 years old and buildings of even greater age have been discovered in Utah, according to D. B. Miller, assistant supervisor of the general land office, who has been at the head of a surveying party in that state for the last ten months.

"The cliff dwellings we found in Utah undoubtedly are many hundreds of years old," said Mr. Miller to a Washington Post reporter. "They were doubtless built by the Montezuma Indians. These Indians also built on the mesa lands and many interesting structures were found beneath the surface of these lands. In Utah are three natural bridges that are more wonderful than the natural bridge of Virginia.

"All are wider and two considerably higher than the Virginia bridge. One of these bridges has a span of more than 200 feet and the arch is more than 100 feet from the ground. It seems almost to have been made by man. White persons rarely have visited these wonders of nature.

"The Navajo Indians in Utah are of course well acquainted with all these things. The Navajos are essentially superstitious. They do not mingle much with the whites, and few of them speak English. When one is found who can speak English it is pretty certain he is a sharper.

"My party went into Utah to survey the public lands early last April and remained there until October. During the entire time not a drop of rain fell, and it is curious that all the time we were in that country we were followed about by an old Navajo medicine woman, who persisted in telling the Indians that so long as we stayed there no rain would come.

"We paid no attention to her of course, but we had to give her a thought when on the day we broke camp, within a few hours after we left the Indian lands a terrific storm arose that deluged the whole country. I suppose that the old medicine woman is looked upon by her companions as a supernatural creature."

ELECTRIC SLEEP THE LATEST

Berlin Scientist Claims to Have Found Relief for Nerve Disorders in Humanity.

Electric sleep is to be the great boon of nerve-disordered humanity if the expectations of Dr. F. Nagelschmidt of the Berlin Finsen institute are realized. Some years ago Doctor Leduc produced sleep in animals by applying continuous electric currents to the base of the brain, but the currents necessary were near the danger point, and the claim of Doctor Nagelschmidt is an improved method, using a special alternating current giving narcotic effects without exceeding, or even nearly approaching, the limit of safety. It appears that not only can the number of volts, milliamperes and alternations be fixed as needed, but that the time the current will flow can be predetermined as well. Unconsciousness is produced quickly, awakening follows in a minute or two after the current ceases, and the alternating current not only relieves insomnia, but it has other useful effects, speedily overcoming neuralgic pains, and giving particularly a harmless means of controlling the violent insane without the straitjacket. The electric sleep can be deepened so as to give painless execution of criminals or slaughtering of animals.

Ancient Rome's Manicures.

The fluffy haired girl that holds your hand in a Broadway barber shop for a half hour and puts your nails in tip-top shape for a half-dollar is practicing an art that antedates Caesar himself. Excavations in old Rome have disclosed that hot and cold water service like that in a big town apartment house, manicuring sets, razors, toothpicks and hooks and eyes were as common in the first century as graft investigations are in New York today. The diggers found that the old Romans even had a hot-air heating system, egg poachers and safety pins and cake pans.—New York Press.

Rough on Reynolds.

When James B. Reynolds was assistant secretary of the treasury, Senator Root sent for Mr. Reynolds one day to discuss with him some matters concerning a trade conference in Paris, which Mr. Reynolds had been selected to attend.

"I suppose," said Mr. Root, "you speak French?"

"Well, yes," reponded Mr. Reynolds. "I know a little French. I have no trouble to make the waiters and the cab drivers understand me."

"I see," said Mr. Root. "But, Mr. Reynolds, suppose there would be no waiters and cab drivers in the conference?"—Judge.

Up-to-Date Discretion.

Miss Jane Addams was condemning at Hull House in Chicago a business employing a great deal of sweated labor.

"But, Miss Addams," said a reporter, mentioning a certain firm, "that firm doesn't go in for sweated labor, does it?"

Miss Addams shrugged her shoulders.

"That firm," she replied, "is gifted with a great deal of discretion—and discretion, you know, is the gentle art of not getting found out."

RESPONSIBILITY FOR MINE HORROR PLACED ON LAWS OF STATE

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any mine where gas is or has been discovered or is being generated that they be worked with safety lamps and other necessary precautions and that the use of machinery that gives off emission of sparks be discontinued. We have carefully considered the evidence and law and the opinions expressed by those who testified and feel that we have placed the responsigility for the explosion where it properly belongs, namely: On the mine foreman (legally) as we believe through an error of judgment on his part he permitted part open and part safety lamps in that part of the mine where the explosion took place, but we place a greater responsibility morally on the law and those responsible for the framing and enactment of such a law.

Signed:

C. H. Landefeld, foreman; T. J. Eckbreth, B. S. Allen, W. F. Alten, J. D. Hoon, Isaac Yohe.

442 Conversions at Midway

The evangelistic campaign which had been conducted at Midway for the past two weeks closed Monday night. There was a total of 442 conversions during the campaign. The Rev. W. W. Orr was in charge.

An old proverb is that "A man never gets paid for more than he does." And some men will argue they don't even get pay for what they do.

Standing of Contestants

2 More Days to Vote

7th Ballot

Lock No. 4 Fire Dept. Carnival

VOTING CONTEST

List of Candidates up to 10 a. m. today.. Next Count, 10 a. m. Thursday

To the contestant in each contest casting the most votes from 10 a. m. today (Wednesday) to 10 a. m. Thursday, will be given 100 votes and 50 votes to the ones casting the second greatest number, EXCEPT in the Young Ladies Diamond Ring Contest, where 50 votes for the first and 25 for the second will be given

Young Ladies' Diamond Ring Contest
Votes 5c Each.

Garnett Crab	738
Grace Phillips	625
Myrtle Dunmire	595
Lulu Buffle	443
Lillian Harvey	72
Elizabeth James	30
Ella Yost	27

Little Girl's Doll Contest
Votes 1c Each.

Martha Metz	1375
Georgia Jacobs	607
Ruth Jenkins	409
Margaret Eyman	74

Pretty Baby Contest
Under 5 years of age. Votes 1 c each

Annetta Metz	1707
Myrl Michener	1688
Dorothy Davis	946
Wm. Flenniken	213
Louis Fraser	41

Boy's Bicycle Contest
Votes 1c Each.

Thornton Burnett	1291
Theodore Anderson	890
Robert Shanks	369
Norman Brown	362
Chas Colatch	56
Frank Wagner	27
Harry Woods	17
Tommy Heslop	14
Vincent Hallern	9
John Key	3
John Dosha	2
Edward Sabrosse	1

Homely Man's Contest
Votes 1c Each.

Harry Zellers	473
Chas. Fries	142
Gasper Lavrie	57
Gus Datz	17
Bill Rabe	10
R. H. Black	12
Wm. Riley	9
Chas. Meyers	7
Lou Barko	3
Marchall Borne	5

Contest closes at 9:30 o'clock Thursday night on Carnival grounds.

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248-t2 Monessen, Pa.

JUDGE INGHRAM ON BENCH FOR JUDGE TAYLOR

The May term of criminal court convened Monday afternoon at Washington. Judge James Inghram of Greene county is sitting in place of Judge J. F. Taylor, who on account of illness is not able to serve this term. Between 60 and 70 jurors answered roll call, and cases were called at once before both Judges McIlvaine and Inghram.

A number of petty cases were disposed of Monday afternoon and Tuesday. One of these was the case of E. B. Iams, who had been a school teacher at West Bethlehem. He was tried on a charge of perjury, Mrs. Phoebe Cook being the private prosecutor. The case grew out a license-fight, in which Mrs. Cook had been an applicant at the license court. Iams was acquitted.

WILD WEST SHOW HERE FOR TODAY

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An inspiring and wonderful spectacle is the "massing of the colors," participated in by 62 horses and riders representing every country in the world. This is a most gorgeous spectacle, typical of the pageants of the ancient Roman Hippodrome.

In addition is the usual exhibitions of wild west feats by cowboys and other rough riders and roping and riding bucking broncos, and other exciting and interesting features. A large crowd is in attendance this afternoon at the show and the evening performance will also draw large crowds.

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR MINE HORROR PLACED ON MINING LAWS OF STATE

Directly to Blame Legally, is Mine Foreman--Jury Touches This Point Lightly

RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NUMEROUS

Pittsburg Coal Co. Advised Particularly to Use Safety Lamps and to Remove Electrical Machinery

Five hours of deliberation by the coroner's jury sitting in the inquest into the Cincinnati mine disaster resulted in a verdict that in effect placed the responsibility for the horrible affair upon the state mine code. Legally and unavoidably,the direct blame was placed on the mine foreman, but that part was lightly covered by the jury, which gave particular attention to the moral responsibility of the law together with recommendations for the betterment of mining conditions in the Cincinnati mine in particular and the bituminous region in general. Neither electrical machinery nor open lights will henceforth be used in the Cincinnati operations if the recommendations of the jury are hearkened unto.

The argument of the jury in reference to the State mine code is that of the inconsistency of a mine foreman operating as a paid employe of the coal company, while his certificate is issued by the state. Subservient to company orders he is an expert in whose hands is the matter of producing coal. Laxity in protective measures might be a result. At least this seems to be the idea of the coroner's jury, which desires to have things rectified.

The verdict follows:

The Verdict.

"We, the jury, find that Stephen Long and the 95 others named above came to their death in the Cincinnati mine of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke company, Washington county, Pa., on April 23, 1913, from violence and asphyxiation as a result of an explosion of gas in the said Cincinnati mine at about 12:15 p. m., while the miners were at work and the mine in operation.

"We further find by the evidence given by those that worked in the mine at the time of the explosion and previously also the state mine inspectors, experts and officials and others who made an investigation and examination of the mine after the explosion that the cause of the said explosion of gas was as follows:

"A. That it originated in 12 butt entry off 14 face entry as a result of the entryman, who worked in said entry firing a butt shot which struck a clay vein exposing a feeder of gas. After firing shot, entryman evidently went to the break-through to eat his dinner and on returning with empty car he ignited was with mitted to work; we also find that no mitted to work; we also find t hat no gas has been reported i nsaid entry since March 5, 1913 by any of the mine officials.

"B. Further that said explosion of gas which we find originated in said 12 entry reinforced itself in other entries namely: Four and six entry in which gas was generated and had been reported by the mine officials at different times and which entries were being worked with safety lamps.

Might Have Been Averted.

"C. We further find that said explosion could have been prevented had safety lamps been used in this section of the mine.

"D. While under the law the legal responsibility for any explosion such as this would rest on the mine foreman we say frankly that greater responsiblity rests upon the law and particularly upon those responsible for its enactment, for this reason, that it places the entire responsibility for the operation of the mine on the man granted a certificate of competency by the state but employed and paid by the owner and operator, certainly an absurdity on the face of it and one that under human events will not successfully protect life either in theory or practice. If the present system must continue, surely the legal responsibility ought to be placed upon the owner or operator equally with the mine foreman. Guided by the testimony given, opinions expressed by those in official capacity as well as those employed in and about the mine we make the following recommendations:

Recommendations.

"First: To the management of the Cincinnati mine that hereafter it be operated by safety lamps as a whole and that no machinery be used that would make possible the emission of sparks. Surely the lesson to be learned here is the folly of working a gaseous mine with part open and part safety lamps.

"Second: To the legislature and senate of this state that if it is your desire to make safe the operation of mines that in the enactment of mining legislation you be guided more by the opinions of those entrusted with the responsibility of safe-guarding lives, namely: The state mine inspectors, the mine foreman and the miner, rather than the opinion of the corporation, attorneys and managers of corporations, who from a careful reading of the present law seem to have in mind the competitive nature of business and the protection of property rather than the safe-guarding of human life.

"Third: To the department of mines: We recommend that a more definite report be required from the fire bosses and mine foreman of the dangers existing in the mine in their daily and weekly reports. For instance, if gas be discovered that they be required to state what part of the working place found, whether it be on fall, clay vein, roof, or face of working place and if possible in what volume.

"Four: We call attention to this fact that while many of the mines of this district are working in whole or part with safety lamps that it is not because of any legal requirement, but rather because of the diligence of the inspectors, hence until the final authority for the same operation of the mines be vested where it should be in the state inspectors of mines, without the right of the reverse of appeal by common pleas and supreme courts with all its delays, that the owners and operators or managers of mine cheerfully comply with the recommendation of inspectors, particularly those made for the purpose of safeguarding life and they should not be considered a business hardship.

"Further we recommend that at

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LAW IMPERFECT IS TESTIMONY

Witnesses Heard on Tuesday Afternoon in Cincinnati Mine Inquest

LOCAL MAN ON STAND

"The law is not perfect." Such was the admission on the witness stand of State Mine Inspector Charles P. McGregor of the seventh bituminous district, Tuesday afternoon in the closing hours of the Cincinnati mine disaster inquiry conducted at Monongahela by Coroner James T. Heffran. Mine Inspector McGregor was one of a party of five State inspectors that visited the wrecked Cincinnati mine after the terrible explosion there on April 23. Others of the party were I. G. Roby, of Uniontiwn, inspector in the fifth district; Thomas K. Adams of Mercer, inspector in the third district; Joseph William of Altoona, inspector in the tenth district and Arthur Neale of Irwin, inspector in the 19th district.

Inspector McGregor in giving his testimony to the coroner's jury theorized as to causes of the explosion that resulted in the loss of 96 lives, his explanation being the same as that of Mine Inspector Alexander McCanch of the first district. It had been caused by the liberation of gas through the breaking down by two shots in 12 butt off 14 face entry fired subsequently by a miner with an open light. Apparently there had been a secondary explosion coming from gas in No. 6 and No. 4 butt entries.

"Do you believe in mixed lights in a mine," asked District Attorney Richard G. Miller.

"I do not believe in mixed lights anywhere," the inspector replied.

Asked to define his idea of danger in a gaseous mine, Inspector McGregor, who is a miner of long experience both in the United States and in Scotland, illustrated:

"Say that mixed light are nsed in a mine. In one part I take an open light. I see a danger board. I stick my head over the danger board. Then I'm in danger and have to use a safety light. See?"

The coroner's jury saw.

"Don't you honestly think now, Mr. McGregor," asked Coroner Heffran in an effort to extract specific information," that it would be all right to work some mines with mixed lights, where they are not too gaseous?"

"If I were in a powder magazine, do you think it would be wise for me to strike a match?" flashed McGregor.

"Would you shut down a fan if there was even the least indication of gas? Now I mean gas even that would not be ignited." Attorney C. M. Johnston for the ittsburg Coal company put the question.

"If there was the least indication of gas or in my mind the least doubt, I would shut down the fan." Attorney Johnston had no more questions to ask.

Among other witnesses called during the afternoon's session was F. W. Cunningham of Charleroi, mine inspector in the 21st bituminous dis-

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ISSUE OF BONDS FOR $220,000

Amount to be Expended by County for Bridge and Highways

ISSUE IS AUTHORIZED

At a meeting Tuesday of the county commissioners and controller at Washington the commissioners authorized the controller to advertise for bids for the sale of $120,000 worth of road improvement bonds. The commissioners also unanimously agreed to improve about 12 miles of road during the coming summer. The bids for the improvement of the roads selected will be opened on June 9.

At this same meeting the commissioners authorized the controller to advertise for the sale of $100,000 worth of bonds the proceeds to be used for Washington county's share of the new Brownsville bridge to be built by Fayette and Washington counties. Engineers for both counties are now at work on the bridge plans, working under the direction of a supervising architect representing both counties.

The roads to be improved are chiefly a continuation of those already improved in various parts of the county. One of these is the road over the hill from Donora to Eldora a distance of 11,450 feet.

CARNIVAL DRAWS A LARGE CROWD

Interesting Attractions Provided at North Charleroi This Week

A show that is nothing more or less than wonderful is being featured this week at the Hatch carnival being conducted for the benefit of the North Charleroi fire department at North Charleroi. This is the Larose Electric Fountain, a spectacular production of fire, smoke and water.

Mr. Larose himself conducts the show. From a large circular tank-like affair streams of water arise at the will of the operator. By the use of electric lights all sorts of colors are richly blended. Through a scientifice arrangement all kinds of displays were produced by the water ending in a display of sky rockets issued from the center of the water display. One of the features of the show was that af a beautiful woman posing directly in the center of the water, the tiny vari-colored streams forming a veil around her. Another woman performed the serpentine dance within the fountain.

Other attractions are fully up to the advance announcements. Among them are the wild west show, the Hatch moving picture show of local events—a most interesting sight showing fire drills and children marching from schools in Charleroi. "Dolleta," the smallest mother in the world wit hher two normal sized children, the museum of living wonders, the vaudeville, the merry-go-round, ferris wheel, and oriental scenes from the far East are other attractions.

HAVE NOT LOCATED MISSING MESSENGER

Belle Vernon Not Included

Bank President Says Money Was Never Shipped by Adams Express Company

There was no money from the Belle Vernon First National bank contained in the package said to have been abstracted from an Adams Express company's shipment from Charleroi, according to President B. F. Taylor of the Belle Vernon institution. "The report is entirely wrong about our connection with the loss of money" said Mr. Taylor this morning. He stated that money was seldom if ever shipped by Adams Express, whatever express shipments were made, going by American Express. Mr. Taylor desired that the position of the Belle Vernon bank be made clear.

WILD WEST SHOW HERE FOR TODAY

Parade One of the Features of the Early Afternoon

GIVING PERFORMANCES

Although Young Buffalo's Wild West and Col. Cummings' Far East combined shows did not reach town until nearly 11 o'clock, they were enabled to give a parade and both the afternoon performance on schedule time. The show came here from Washington, but got hung up en route and the outfit was not able to reach here earlier.

Crowds of people thronged the street from an early hour this morning waiting for the show and when it finally arrived the process of unloading and setting up the tents was watched by the multitude. The street parade was a typical wild west exhibition, the array of cowboys, Indians, Mexicans as well as other rough riders of the far west constituting a striking appearance. A special feature was the 20-ox team, showing how the pioneer settlers traveled across the plains in the days of '49. The parade was witnessed by large crowds of people who lined the streets along its route.

Two exclusive features of the show of unusual interest are the shooting by Annie Oakley, who it will be remembered was in Charleroi some time ago under the auspices of the Charleroi gun club, when she was demonstrating for the Remington Arms people and a cartridge manufactory. Miss Oakley is the champion woman shot with both shotgun and rifle. The other exclusive feature is the two performing troupes of elephants. The star of these is Tiny Muggins, the

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Man Accused of Express Robbery Eludes Search of Detectives

NO CLUES DISCOVERED

Investigations Continued—Amount Taken May be $30,000 Instead of $14,000

Thus far, it is stated, the detectives who are working on the case of the express robbery between Charleroi and Pittsburg, have not been able to locate Harry T. McLaughlin, the missing Adams Express messenger, who is believed to have gotten away with at least $14,000, which was consigned from the up river towns to a Pittsburg bank. The Adams Express people are not giving out detailed information in regard to the amount of money missing, but some of the detectives working on the case are reported to have said that the amount is greater than at first reported and may aggregate $30,000.

Monday and Tuesday the detectives were up this way, stopping at the various towns where the Adams Express people were checking up the "value" books of the local agents, from which places consignments of cash are made from time to time. The report first current was that the messenger, or whoever got away with the money, opened a package and abstracted a part of the contents, approximating $14,500. Later, some of the detectives working on the case are alleged to have stated that this would have been impossible, as the packages are sealed in such a manner that detection would have been immediate. Had a package shown evidence of being tampered with, the agent at the destination would have refused to receive it, and attention to the matter would have been called at once.

It is now reported that instead of abstracting a part of the contents of a money package entrusted to his care while enroute on the train, the messenger hypothecated the whole package, or more than one if others has been consigned on that day. The express company is keeping the matter as quiet as possible, and is not giving out definite information concerning the exact amount of money missing. It is also stated that while the Adams Express company has made good the losses to the consignees, for which they are responsible, they in turn will hold the bonding company responsible which carried the surety of the missing messenger,if the loss of the money can be fastened upon him.

Farmers to Hold Institute.

The spring meeting of the Farmer's Annual Normal institute and State Board of Agriculture will be held in the Town hall, Washington, Tuesday, May 20, Wednesday, May 21, Thursday, May 22 and Friday, May 23. A number of noted agriculturalists will be present, among whom will be Secretary of Agriculture N. B. Critchfield of the state department.

"The Vengeance of Heaven" a two reel drama at the Star. 5c. 249-tf

Mrs. Charles Finkbiner and children of Donora are visiting in town.

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THE LAW TO BLAME

By fixing the responsibility for the Courtney mine disaster on the mine foreman legally who used both open and safety lamps in a dangerous mine and on the law morally which permitted him to do so the coroner's jury rendered a verdict that should strikingly demonstrate the value of human life as opposed to pecuniary profit and property interests. The law permitted the mining companies to take this chance in the interests of profit and investment when human life was at stake, which resulted in the ghastly toll of life, to say nothing of the economic loss to the community by the death of large body of productive workers and the attendant care of dependent widows and orphans.

More and more is the safe-guarding of human life and the well-being of society coming to be the first consideration in public policy. The old fetich of vested interests and pecuniary profits, which is based on selfishness and greed, is fast giving way to the policy of the greatest good to the greatest number. While this has supposedly been the fundamental basis of our form of government, public toleration of the encroachments of wealth and power have so strongly entrenched the fetich of vested interests that until comparatively recent times these practically dictated and controlled not only the ethical conduct of society, but public policy and legislation as well. All this is rapidly changing. The well-being of society, popular rights and first of all safety to life and limb, must be the controlling factors of government. Special privileges must give way to the common good.

LOCAL COUPLE WEDDED QUIETLY IN PITTSBURG

Miss Nell Barrow, a popular young woman of Charleroi and Walter Clark of Belle Vernon were quietly wedded in Pittsburg Tuesday. They left here early in the morning returning in the evening to Belle Vernon. For the present Mr. and Mrs. Clark will make their home in Belle Vernon and it is likely they will take a wedding trip later. Mr. Clark is employed by the Pittsburg and Lake Erie railroad and is the son of William Clark. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barrow of

ELECTRIC SPARKS

The Monongahela coroner's jury had said that there would be no whitewash in the mine inquest. There wasn't.

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J. P. Morgan was a patriot with deep love for his country, according to the latest announcement Let them have that comfort as long as they don't try to get Congress to give a million or so for a monument to his memory.

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The tariff measure has at least and at last got a good start.

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Somebody wants to know what makes a city grow. From best evidence and from scientific observations taken at rare intervals by rare people it would seem the proper conclusion and answer would be, "The people."

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A firm in a tiny town in the south announces that it will undertake the publication of a metropolitan paper. Undertake is good Next word will be the undertaker.

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Some women lay claim to being expert gardeners whose a[illegible] is only that of raking scandals.

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Spring Song.

'Tis the merry month of May
When we need not purchase coal.
On this theme I'd sing a lay,
But for ice I'm in a hole

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This cubist painting ought to increase our vocabulary in strength Only an iron man or one of the painters could look at a painting without picturesque utterance

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An exchange remarks that dark streets are great lovers. Now Wonderful discovery.

The playhouse that never disappoints Star Theatre 24tf

BIG WATER MAIN TO BE INSTALLED ON LINCOLN AVE.

Within a few days work will be commenced on the installation of a new large water main along Lincoln avenue by the I. R Fike company for the Charleroi Water company The big main will extend from Second to Eleventh street From Second to Sixth it will be a 12-inch main and from Sixth to Eleventh a 14-inch main. The purpose of the main will be to increase the pressure of water for the hill district of Charleroi

At the present time the hill district is supplied with water by a system of flow from the reservoir The new system to be put into use when the big main is installed will effect a change, so that the water for the hill section where the pressure is now weak will be towards the reservoir. This will give it is believed the extra needed pressure There are several large main running east and west leading to and from the reservoir but practically no large mains running north and south as the new main will.

WOMEN BEGIN CONVENTION

The 30th annual convention of the Women's General Missionary society of the United Presbyterian church of North America is being held at Washington. It opened Monday and about 300 delegates are present, including many notable missionary workers from all parts of the union. It is a national gathering and is attracting much outside attention

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PICKED UP IN PASSING

A queer letter, so constructed, without punctuation, that it can be read in a number of different ways, giving directly opposite meanings, has been handed in for publication in the "Picked Up in Passing" column. The contributor's grandfather copied it from a newspaper in 1855.

"He is an old experienced man in vice and wickedness he is never found opposing the works of iniquity he takes delight in the downfall of the neighborhood he never rejoices in the prosperity of any of his fellow creatures he is always ready to assist in destroying the peace of society he takes no pleasure in serving the Lord he is uncommonly diligent in sowing discord among his friends and acquaintances he takes no pride in laboring to promote the cause of Christianity he has not been negligent in endeavoring to stigmatize all public teachers he makes no exertions to [illegible] his evil passions he strives hard to build up Satan's kingdom he lends no aid to the support of the gospel among the heathens he contributes largely to the evil adversary he pays no attention to good advice he gives great heed to the devil he will never go to heaven he must go where he will receive his just recompense of reward"

It is related that at a recent Bull Moose gathering at the county seat speakers were telling how long they had been in politics and why they had left the Republican or Democratic party A colored Progressive worker rose to his feet and said

Up to last year I voted the Republican ticket, and I had been voting that ticket since I was eighteen years old"

A great two reel feature out of Joe at the Sta 24tf

MEMBERS LOCAL CIRCLE TO TAKE WASHINGTON TRIP

Misses Nellie Strausser, a[illegible] Sara K Booth, both of Charleroi are participate in the free Or to Washington Trip under the auspices of the Protected Home Circle, to attend the sessions of the Supreme Circle, which will be held in the national capital next week They will leave for Sharon headquarters of the order, on Saturday morning and be gone for a week

A number of side trips have been arranged for the special train, including a two-days' stop at Gettysburg battlefield, where Major Alex McDowell, former Clerk of the House of Representatives in Washington, will deliver an addddress

Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan will welcome the delegates to Washington and Major McDowell will respond.

A gain in membership of almost 8000—an unprecedented record among fraternal organizations—will feature one of the reports to be read at the biennial convention. While this big increase in the membership of the order, which now boasts of more than 90,000 was due to workers in the various Circles, they were coached by the Supreme Officers, who are likely to be rewarded by a unanimous election for another term of four years.

The trip to Washington will be a memorable one. More than 250 members of the P H C. have earned a free trip to the convention by their ability to secure new members

The festivities in connection with the biennial convention will commence in Sharon, Pa., next Saturday Those eligible for the trip will go to Sharon, inspect the newly-remodeled and beautiful temple of the order, in which the wedding of Miss Mary Schmidt and Louis Schmidt, both of Pittsburg will take place They will also witness an exhibition drill by the Banner Degree Team of Sharon Circle, No. 1 Late in the afternoon they will board a special train and go to Pittsburg via Youngstown. From that time until the following Thursday the members of the order will *have a big time, in addition to attending* the sessions of the Supreme Circle.

A strong drama, "The Vengeance of Heaven," two reels, 5c. Star .24tf1

ALL MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL ARCANUM

Who wish to go to the Grand Lodge Session held at the Fort Pitt Hotel, Pittsburg on Wednesday evening, May 14th, are requested to meet at 5th and McKean avenue in time for the 6:12 p. m. car. 24tf2

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

M. T. Crowley of McKean[illegible] in Scranton as a delegate to the State convention of the Knights of Columbus

Rev. L. W. and Mrs. Shey are attending the Episcopal convention at St Stephens at Sewickley today and tomorrow.

J. B. F. Linehart of Waynesburg and Rev. G. G. Kerr of Canonsburg were in town Tuesday.

Robert McGowan has returned from a week's visit in Boston, Mass.

E. W. Hastings was in Pittsburg on business Tuesday.

J. O. Guseman is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. R. Chalfant of Fallowfield avenue.

Mrs. Bert Mitchell has gone to Butler to visit relatives.

Mr and Mrs. J J Hott went to Pittsburg today.

Mrs Savage of Washington was a visitor here on her way home from California

C. S. McKean is a Pittsburg visitor today.

Rev John R. Burson was a Pittsburg visitor Tuesday to see Frank Arnison at one of the hospitals.

Dr F. C. Stahlman visited in Pittsburg.

Henry Mouly has gone to New York city to sail for France where he will spend some months.

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Sunday School Teacher—And what should we do after breaking a commandment, Willie? Willie—Muzzle de papers and hire a good lawyer.—Life.

She—What an awfully tall man Lord Lofty is! He—They say he's painfully short

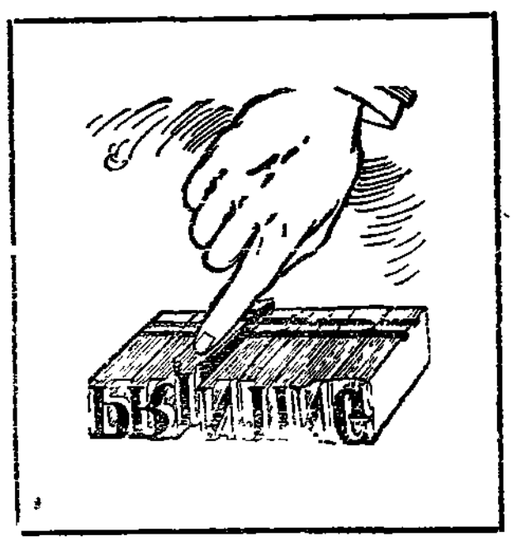
Wise Precaution.

Shopper—I want to buy a necktie suitable for my husband. Salesman—Sorry, madam, but we are not permitted to sell neckties to women who are unaccompanied by men.—Puck.

"What happens," shouted the candidate, "when you put the almighty dollar before the man?" "The man goes after it," answered the old farmer in the front row.

Literally True.

"Say, Chimpie, wot's a suffragette?" "A suffragette's a woman who wants a chance to knock the stuffing out of the ballot-box."—Judge.



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TURNED THE JOKE ON BISHOP

Great Episcopal Churchman Found That Rabbi Could Give as Good as Was Sent.

Mrs. Champ Clark, who is as well known for her brilliancy in conversation as her husband, the speaker of the house of representatives, is for his fame in politics, tells this story:

The late Bishop Potter of New York had a most unclerical relish for practical jokes and pointed anecdotes. His cosmopolitan spirit loved men and things, and nothing pleased him better than to gather a group of congenial spirits about him and swap jokes.

One day he met a friend, a distinguished Jewish rabbi, and said to him in great seriousness:

"Rabbi, I am greatly worried about a dream I had the other night. I dreamed I died and went to the Jewish heaven. And who do you suppose were the only occupants?"

"I don't know, I'm sure," said the rabbi.

"Pawnbrokers and second-hand clothing men," laughed the bishop.

The rabbi said nothing.

Shortly after, however, he met the bishop. "Why bishop," he said, "I had a dream myself the other night."

"Yes," said the bishop uneasily; "and what did you dream?"

"I dreamed I went to the Christian heaven."

"Well," pursued Potter, bracing himself, "who did you find there?"

"Nobody," answered the rabbi.—Popular Magazine.

WHY THE PASTOR WAS LATE

On the Way to a Wedding He Met a Deer, and Stopped to Kill the Animal.

The Rev. H. H. Thomas, pastor of the Baptist church at Greenwood and Womley, started to Greenwood to officiate at a wedding, and, says the Arkansas Gazette, after a six mile drive from Mount Ida he saw a large deer chased by a pack of hounds.

The preacher forgot about the wedding and followed the deer. He approached the large buck, which came to him, and they "locked horns." The deer lost his footing, and so did the minister, and they went tumbling down the hillside together.

"I came up on top," said the preacher, "and in some way I got my knife open and cut the deer's throat, and while holding to the long, shaggy horns the deer gave a big leap with me and jumped into the water, carrying me with him. There he died in a few minutes and I pulled him out, got a wagon and hauled the deer into Mount Ida."

The preacher, after being three hours late, telephoned to Greenwood, and, buying a new suit of clothes, served at the wedding of W. R. Burt and Miss Lillian Anderson.

Compliments of the Season.

Whether or not this story, sent to the London Telegraph by its Paris correspondent, is fact or invention, it has so delightful a flavor of the Orient that every one will feel that it ought to be true:

When the sultan of Turkey gave orders for the mobilization of his troops he sent the king of Bulgaria a sack of millet with the following letter:

"Ferdinand Effendi. Mobilize if you like, but be assured that there are as many soldiers in Turkey as there are grains of millet in this sack. Now, if you wish, declare war."

Ferdinand's reply was in kind. He sent a much smaller sack, filled with tiny grains of the hottest red pepper of the country. With it went the following letter:

"Dear Sultan. The Bulgarians are not numerous, it is true, but be assured that to stick your nose into their affairs is like sticking it into our national condiment. Try it and see. They will sting you so sharply that the whole of Asia will not be able to save you."—Youth's Companion.

Wealth in Music.

In view of its strange influence over man's heart and life, it is no wonder that the greatest minds of all ages have taxed all language to express their conception of the full value of music. Our education is too gross and utilitarian. We have made too much of the intellect and too little of the feelings. No parent has done his full duty to his child until during the precious memory years before sixteen he has given the child's mind as a precious memory forever the great patriotic hymns of home and native land, the folklore hymns of his race, the great classic hymns that sing of man's need and the pathos of God's love, the sublimity of immortality and mystery that lies beyond. For music has full power of pathos and sublimity and can lift man into the ether of the upper world, can wash the dust from the soul's wings and make it triumphant.—N. D. Hillis.

Lack of Space.

Charles H. Taylor, Jr., one of the owners of the Boston Globe, was very busy in his office one morning when there appeared before him Charles S. Howard, the dramatic editor of the paper with a big kick about his editorials having been cut down so that they filled a very little space.

"Can't help it," said Taylor crisply. "The paper is crowded with advertisements, and they mean money. We must keep that dramatic stuff out down."

"Well, by thunder!" exploded Howard, "I guess next year you'll be on me to write wordless crits."

"Oh, no," said Taylor lightly; "not wordless—just spaceless."

PROUD OF HIS SELF-CONTROL

Mrs. Brown Could Agree With Her Liege Lord, Too, That It Was Something Uncommon.

Mr. Brown was excitable by nature, but he often prided himself audibly upon his self-control. One night while the family were gathered at the tea table the chimney began to roar; the furnace draft had been opened and forgotten. Straightway a panic ensued.

"Don't lose your heads—keep cool!" cried Mr. Brown. "It's nothing serious."

He dashed up the stairs, discovered that the metal cap over the only unused stovepipe hole was already red hot, and dashed down again faster than he went up.

"K-keep cool!" he gasped, as he passed through the room where the family had gathered in nervous apprehension. "I'll be back in a minute."

He was back in less than that time, having observed that the flames were spouting several feet high from the chimney, and that a shower of sparks was falling upon the roof.

"Wh-where's the step-ladder?" he panted.

He was gone before anyone could answer the question, and presently was heard bellowing from the roof of the woodshed. He presented an heroic figure in the glare of the blazing chimney.

"I've got one end of the hose!" he called. "Some one attach the other end and turn on the water—quick!"

Two long minutes passed.

"Why doesn't some one do as I ordered?" he thundered. "Do you want the place to burn up?"

"We can't, Henry!" called Mrs. Brown, tremblingly. "You haven't got the hose—you've got the cow-rope. It was hanging next to the hose in the shed. And anyway, the roof is covered with ice, and I don't think there's any great danger outside. You'd better go and watch the chimney from the inside."

A half-hour later the family were again at the tea table.

"If this had happened in some homes," remarked Mr. Brown, "the family would have lost their heads completely and sent in an alarm. Self-control is an excellent thing—and far from common."

"Indeed it is!" agreed Mrs. Brown, emphatically.—Youth's Companion.

BASEBALL FOR THE FARMER

Possibly the Game Might Be of Benefit to Him, But It Is Hardly Indispensable.

Baseball never has been regarded exclusively as a city product. While it is true that the cities supply the enormous crowds that support the big leagues, it is equally true that many of the players in those leagues are graduates of the "bush" leagues. The country boy has an equal chance with the city boy to win the high honors and generous emoluments of a successful ball player. The farmer himself has not come directly in touch with the national game, perhaps, except on a rare holiday. A professor in the Kansas State Agricultural college calls this a mistake. Familiarity with the game, he believes, would promote success in agriculture. If the farmer would play ball "it would take the shamble out of his walk" and "make him decide quickly." This is an interesting theory, but it will not be universally accepted. Some will contend that the motor car has already taken the "shamble" out of the farmer's walk. Others will insist that handling a high spirited horse or pitching a load of hay or a wagon while a thunderstorm is gathering is just as valuable in training his mental faculties to quick action.—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

Rose Culture in Bulgaria.

White and red roses are grown, the former being easier to cultivate, but giving only about half as much oil of an inferior quality. The individual growers distil their own oil. Twelve to fifteen kilos of roses are distilled with 60 kilos of water until 12 kilos of distillate are obtained; eight to ten such lots are then united, and redistilled into long necked flasks, in which the oil separates on standing. To produce one kilo of oil requires 3,000 kilos of roses of 1,200,000 flowers. The roses are gathered in the early morning and distilled the same day. The pure oil from the various districts shows variations in odor and physical properties, and is therefore skillfully blended by the distributing houses before sale. Adulteration is very largely carried on by the peasants, who use ginger grass oil, palma rosa oil, geranium oil, etc. The production for 1910 was 3,148 kilos.—The Pharmaceutical Era.

We Are Creatures of Habit.

There was no rush at the moment and the ticket chopper had time to talk to the man waiting for a friend in a subway station. "Yes, we see lots of queer people here," he said, "and we have nearly the same people every day and at the same hour. I know men who do not vary a minute in a week in their reaching the ticket box. The queerest man we have at this station we call 'the whistler.' Every morning at 7:20 he drops his ticket in the box and he always whistles. That wouldn't be so funny, but for years it has always been the same tune. We all know the tune, but no one knows the song. His ticket goes in the box at the same note every morning, and then he walks to the third post, opens his paper and whistles till the train comes."—New York Tribune.

TRAINED IN HOUSEHOLD WORK

German Institution Teaches Girls Domestic Service, and Finds Great Demand for Graduates.

Berlin has an institution, founded about two years ago by a woman. The object of the "Sister School," as it is called, is to train well-educated girls for domestic service. The students are generally daughters of professional men, and the curriculum comprises cookery, housework, the care of children, and needlework. When application is made for the services of a "sister," the matron, or some other woman connected with the school, calls upon the applicant, forms an opinion of the "situation," and arranges terms. Each "sister" must be allowed a free afternoon every week, one Sunday every other week from four o'clock, and a fortnight's holiday in the year. Six weeks' notice is required on each part. The salaries paid range from $7.50 to $12.50 a month, with, of course, board and lodging. Sisters wear a brown uniform, are treated as social equals, are not required to take meals with other servants, and are addressed as "Sister Marie," "Sister Hedwig," etc. The demand for their services is so great that the head of the Sister school declares that she could place 500 girls a year, instead of 50, and similar institutions are about to be established in other German towns.

MAKE WAREHOUSE OF CHURCH

Sacred Edifice at Brighton, England, Has Been Unfortunate Since Its Erection.

To serve as a cold storage warehouse for meat and eggs—such is the fate of the beautiful Church of the Resurrection at Brighton, England. Built at the expense of the late Rev. H. D. Wagner for the accommodation, it is said, of the poorer members of the congregation, and for those who preferred a ritual simpler than that of St. Paul's church on West street, this building first attracted the public attention as the subject of a curious lawsuit. Mr. Wagner planned to build a remarkably tall church, and the owners of the adjoining property, by means of a lawsuit, prevented him from so doing. Accordingly he caused deep excavations to be made, and thus secured the desired internal height. The Church of the Resurrection proved to be a great expense and was closed in 1908, being, in the opinion of the present vicar of St. Paul's, no longer necessary for the purpose for which it was built. In 1909, after prolonged opposition on the part of Rev. E. F. B. Weber, one of the trustees, it was sold. Since then it has stood empty and in disrepair, until the grotesque tragedy of its present usage occurred.—The Churchman.

Tons of Iron Lost in Rust.

One large railroad system suffers a loss of more than eighteen tons of metal daily, due solely to the effect of rust. Thus far the only known preventive is to keep the metal surface always covered with a suitable paint. Some idea of the costliness of this remedy, however, may be gained from the fact that it requires about $10,000 annually to paint one large railway bridge alone. A typical case of this kind is the Brooklyn bridge, upon which a corps of painters are constantly employed, as the weather makes repainting of one end of this large structure necessary before the workers have reached the other. Although experiments have demonstrated that pure iron surrounded by oxygen does not rust, and that some acid, especialy carbonic acid, is necessary for the production of rust, the secret of manufacturing rustless steel and iron remains to be discovered.

Lasting Joke.

How long will a good joke last? Who can tell? You have heard that one about the good sleighing in Canada, and how by putting on a pair of pajamas and sitting on a cake of ice before an open window and ringing a bell one can get the same effect, and much cheaper. Billy Emerson, the minstrel, originated that one over thirty-five years ago, and it is one that has never run down. DeWolf Hopper began to use it in his curtain speeches eleven years ago, and ever since, eight times a week forty weeks a season, he has used it and it has never failed to get a laugh. Always there are some in the audience who never heard it. Hopper figures that with the addition of a few score times at private functions he has "sprung" the chestnut 3,753 times. It is his one best bet, he says, and expects to use it as long as he is in public life.

$20 Gold Pieces a Quarter Each.

When five boys commenced to sell $10 and $20 gold pieces on the streets of North Scranton for 25 cents each, with the supply apparently unlimited, curiosity was at once aroused as to the source of supply, and the boys were taken into custody and given the "third degree." When searched the youths' pockets produced over $500 in gold coin and when questioned they admitted that they had found a "pot of gold."

The money was buried in a box in the cellar of a house formerly occupied by Peter J. Scanlon, who during his lifetime had the reputation of being a miser. There were $620 in shiny gold pieces in the box. The boys, none of whom was over eight years of age, thought they were brass medals and sold about twenty of them before being arrested.—Scranton (Pa.) Dispatch to Philadelphia Record.

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Recording Finger Prints.

Hitherto it has been customary in following up criminal clews, to make a permanent record of finger prints by photographic means. This method, however, has a number of obvious disadvantages. Thus, for example, cases arise in which the finger print to be recorded is not accessible to an ordinary camera. Or again it may be located upon some rounded surface which cannot be properly focused. Dr. Heindl describes one or two new methods which overcome these difficulties. The first method consists in dusting the impression—which is always more or less greasy—with some colored powder, and then expressing against it a paper treated with a mixture of fifty grams wax, fifty grams paraffin, and twenty drops of glycerin. An excelent inverted copy is thus obtained, and as the paper is entirely flexible any kind of a surface can be thus treated. The second method makes use of photographic gelatine paper in place of that prepared as above.

Bad Men Feel Pain More.

Does a bad man feel pain more than a man who leads an honest life? It has been stated apropos the decision of the British house of commons to punish white slavers by flogging, that by a happy provision of nature the skin appears actually to become more sensitive as the moral sense becomes deadened. A doctor said that as a rule those who are criminally inclined bear pain or bodily suffering of any kind extremely badly. Men who are quite hardened on the moral side of their character seem to get more self-conscious about their physical feelings than ordinary men do. A man who is morally lax leads a loose life and destroys his nervous system. He feels pain much more acutely than a man of average temperate habits and a clean conscience.

Insurance for Mountain Climbers.

Owing to the large number of accidents occurring every year to mountain climbers and tourists in the Alps, several Swiss insurance companies have established an accident policy for the benefit of persons undertaking these mountain excursions. For a premium of 12 cents a seaso ncertain Alpine clubs offer insurance to their premium of 12 cents a season certain with medical care, etc., included. An insurance company of Vienna offers "Alpine insurance" at a premium of $1.42 a year for every $203 of benefit in case of accident which causes invalidity or death. The amount of the premium is less in case groups of five or ten persons are insured together. There is also an insurance policy issued for the winter season against ski and bobsleigh accidents in the Alps

End of a Noted Folly.

The monocle has long since been out of fashion in England, and is soon to disappear from Paris, which has been its last stronghold. It was invented by a Dutch dandy, and its evil effects upon the eye were at once noted by oculists. The monocle first appeared at the congress of Vienna in 1814, when it was worn by its inventor. One folly, at least, has had only about a century of life.

Couldn't See His Third.

During the cotton-picking season in Texas a colored brother who had gone into the country to work returned very much disgusted. "Don't yo' git no offahs ter pick no cotton?" asked a friend. "Sech ez dey was. White man done offered me one-third o' wat Ah could pick. Ah done tuk a look at de field an' saw dat when it wah all picked it wouldn't amount ter one-third. So Ah done lit out fer home!"

Even the Chanticleer.

Clarence was leaving early that night. The cuckoo had just sounded the eleventh hour. In the back yard the family rooster uttered a maudlin crow. "Clarence," called her father from an upper window, "will it trouble you to step around back of the house and throttle that rooster? He heard the door close and he thinks it's daylight."

Lemon Hint.

Instead of throwing away hard, dry lemons, put them in a pan of hot water and set it where it will maintain about the same degree of heat without boiling for two hours. When taken out and dried the lemons will be as soft and juicy and rich in flavor as though they had never grown hard.—McCall's Magazine.

Voice of the Charmed One.

Fair Suffragette—"And now, if any one who has heard my speech wishes to ask a question, I shall be happy to answer." Masculine Voice (from rear of hall)—"If you haven't any other company, may I see you home this evening?"—Judge.

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AW IMPERFECT IS TESTIMONY

(Continued from First Page)

ct, who had accompanied a party in- ding the coroner into the mine on tour of inspection after the ex- osion. Mr. Cunningham probably ade it clearer in the minds of the rymen than had any previous wit- sses exactly the way the explosion the Cincinnati mine had occurred exhibited a neat sketch of the in- ior portion of butt 12 off 14 entry, owing where two shots had been ed and where the miner who had ed them had probably gone to eat s dinner. He explained how the ner had likely pushed his car, head ward to the end of butt 12, then ised his head. From the oper. light his cap, the gas he believed had nited.

Van Bitner, president of District o. 5, United Mine Workers of Am- ica was asked the question when he as called to the staand, if he thought e mining law that referred to the rtification by the state of a mine reman and employment by the coal rporation was a good one "No I not," was his emphatic answer. tiner had visited the mine with the roner's party. He stated that he d not believe in electrical machines ecause they gave off sparks. Frank- Van Bitner placed the responsibi- ty for the explosion on the law

Robert Gaitens, of Noblestown, a iner of 30 years' experience and a re boss, also of the party that went hrough the mine with Coroner Hef- an, spoke emphatically in favor of afety lamps and deplored the use f mixed lights in any gaseous mine.

Walter R. Calverly spent some time n the stand reading a detailed re- ort made to James E. Roderick, chief f the State Department of Mines oncerning the causes of the disaster. Mr. Calvarly who is the general sup- rintendent of the Benwind-White ompany was one of a committee of ractical miners to inspect the Cin- innati mine after the explosion at he request of Chief Roderick Oth rs of the commission were J. H. anford, of the Carnegie Coal Co. nd G. M. McKinney of McKeesport. Mr. Calverly's report was similar to hose made by previous witnesses.

Before closing the inquest late in the afternoon Coroner Heffran made [illegible] ightenment had been secured and asked if there was anyone that could add anything to the testimony al- eady given. Charles "Banjo" Crall, ne of the two men who were rescued after 52 hours from the mine interior responded and told of overhearing a remark about a man saying he was [illegible] his notice. Crall failed [illegible] any testimony of real import-

LOCAL MAN WELL THOUGHT OF BY HOMESTEAD

Prof I T Daniel, supervisor of music in the Charleroi schools is the director of a chorus that is training at Homestead to participate in the inte national eisteddfod to take place at Pittsburg the fore part of July this year Of his work the Homestead News-Messenger has the following to say:

"The Homestead district has been noted for many years for its high standard of musical talent and the chorus is to be congratulated on having secured the services of Prof Iowerth T Daniel, of Charleroi, as director, who is universally acknowledged to possess a record of which he may well be proud of, having led his choir to victory at the Buffalo Pan-American Exposition in 1901 and at the Scranton International Eisteddfod in 1902 against some of the finest choruses in the world winning in both contests, over $3,000 in awards. It is now up to the choristers of this locality to rally around the standard and by diligent and persistent effort attain such perfection as will enable them to add still greater triumphs to their already long list of victories.

"The chorus will rehearse "King Olaf" by Sir Edward Elgar, two numbers from which will be selected for the chief choral competition to be held at Pittsburg next July. First prize $5,500 and a gold medal to the conductor; second prize $1,500, third prize $500."

POOL PLAYERS HAVE HOT GAME

Tom Mangan defeated Leo Tubbs by the score of 600 to 555 in the elimination French pool tournament, which closed at Swickey's Tuesday night, the boy winning the diamond studded cuff buttons. Tomorrow night the elimination billiard tournament will begin. This will furnish amusement to all lovers of billiards

California is considering the feasibility of separating the one state into two. No announcement has been made as to the reason but it is supposed that there are not enough political jobs to go around under the present arrangement.

TANK IS STARTED AT BELLE VERNON

One tank of the American Window Glass company plant at Belle Vernon which was shut down several weeks ago by a strike of workmen is in operation this week, the regular men for that tank having returned to their duties. They return under practically the same conditions that they went out at the time of the strike There is declared to be no intention to start the second tank of the factory at this time Later perhaps it may be fired This will depend upon conditions

Rev. Leroy Stevens of Lewisburg, made an address at the First Baptist church Tuesday night on the subject of [illegible]

Lots For Sale.

I am half owner of a block of five vacant lots on the east or lower side of Meadow avenue. These lots start at the corner of Third street. They make up half of the large vacant plot on Meadow avenue.

Frank Bamford,
Paterson, N J
At present at Hotel Wilbur 250-t12p

Notice.

Those having claims against Harris and Gleason operating Colonial Meat Market until recently at Charleroi, Pa, and not already presented are requested to file an itemized account immediately with the undersigned if a share in dividend is desired. No further notice will be given.

John S Drake, Trustee.
1109 Park Building,
Pittsburg, Pa.
250-t1

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CLIFF DWELLINGS VERY OLD

Head of Surveying Party Says Those of Utah Were Constructed Many Centuries Ago.

Cliff dwellings more than 1,000 years old and buildings of even greater age have been discovered in Utah, according to D. B. Miller, assistant supervisor of the general land office, who has been at the head of a surveying party in that state for the last ten months.

"The cliff dwellings we found in Utah undoubtedly are many hundreds of years old," said Mr. Miller to a Washington Post reporter. "They were doubtless built by the Montezuma Indians. These Indians also built on the mesa lands and many interesting structures were found beneath the surface of these lands. In Utah are three natural bridges that are more wonderful than the natural bridge of Virginia.

"All are wider and two considerably higher than the Virginia bridge. One of these bridges has a span of more than 200 feet and the arch is more than 100 feet from the ground. It seems almost to have been made by man. White persons rarely have [illegible]

"The Navajo Indians in Utah are of course well acquainted with all these things The Navajos are essentially superstitious. They do not mingle much with the whites, and few of them speak English. When one is found who can speak English it is pretty certain he is a sharper.

"My party went into Utah to survey the public lands early last April and remained there until October. During the entire time not a drop of rain fell, and it is curious that all the time we were in that country we were followed about by an old Navajo medicine woman, who persisted in telling the Indians that so long as we stayed there no rain would come.

"We paid no attention to her of course, but we had to give her a thought when on the day we broke camp, within a few hours after we left the Indian lands a terrific storm arose that deluged the whole country. I suppose that the old medicine woman is looked upon by her companions as a supernatural creature."

ELECTRIC SLEEP THE LATEST

Berlin Scientist Claims to Have Found Relief for Nerve Disorders in Humanity.

Electric sleep is to be the great boon of nerve-disordered humanity if the expectations of Dr F Nagelschmidt of the Berlin Finsen institute are realized. Some years ago Doctor Leduc produced sleep in animals by applying continuous electric currents to the base of the brain, but the currents necessary were near the danger point, and the claim of Doctor Nagelschmidt is an improved method, using a special alternating current giving narcotic effects without exceeding, or even nearly approaching, the limit of safety. It appears that not only can the number of volts, milliamperes and alternations be fixed as needed, but that the time the current will flow can be predetermined as well. Unconsciousness is produced quickly, awakening follows in a minute or two after the current ceases, and the alternating current not only relieves insomnia, but it has other useful effects, speedily overcoming neuralgic pains, and giving particularly a harmless means of controlling the violent insane without the straitjacket. The electric sleep can be deepened so as to give painless execution of criminals or slaughtering of animals.

Ancient Rome's Manicures.

The fluffy haired girl that holds your hand in a Broadway barber shop for a half hour and puts your nails in tip-top shape for a half-dollar is practicing an art that antedates Caesar himself Excavations in old Rome have disclosed that hot and cold water service like that in a big town apartment house, manicuring sets, razors, toothpicks and hooks and eyes were as common in the first century as graft investigations are in New York today The diggers found that the old Romans even had a hot air heating system, egg poachers and safety pins and cake pans—New York Press

Rough on Reynolds

When James B Reynolds was assistant secretary of the treasury, Senator Root sent for Mr Reynolds one day to discuss with him some matters concerning a trade conference in Paris, which Mr Reynolds had been selected to attend

"I suppose," said Mr Root, "you speak French?"

"Well, yes," reponded Mr Reynolds. "I know a little French I have no trouble to make the waiters and the cab drivers understand me."

"I see," said Mr Root "But, Mr. Reynolds, suppose there would be no waiters and cab drivers in the conference?"—Judge.

Up-to-Date Discretion.

Miss Jane Addams was condemning, at Hull House in Chicago a business, employing a great deal of [illegible] labor

"But, Miss Addams," said a reporter, mentioning a certain firm, "that firm doesn't go in for sweated labor, does it?"

Miss Addams shrugged her shoulders.

"That firm," she replied, "is gifted with a great deal of discretion—and discretion, you know, is the gentle art of not getting found out."

RESPONSIBILITY FOR MINE HORROR PLACED ON [illegible] OF STATE

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any mine where gas is or has been discovered or is being generated that they be worked with safety lamps and other necessary precautions and that the use of machinery that gives off emission of sparks be discontinued. We have carefully considered the evidence and law and the opinions expressed by those who testified and feel that we have placed the responsibility for the explosion where it properly belongs, namely: On the mine foreman (legally) as we believe through an error of judgment on his part he permitted part open and part safety lamps in that part of the mine where the explosion took place, but we place a greater responsibility morally on the law and those responsible for the framing and enactment of such a law.

Signed:

C. H. Landefeld, foreman, T. J Eckbreth, B S Allen, W. F. Alten, J. D. Hoon, Isaac Yohe.

442 Conversions at Midway

The evange stic campaign which had been conducted at Midway for the past two weeks closed Monday night. There was a total of 442 conversions during the campaign. The Rev. W. W. Orr was in charge

An old proverb is that "A man never gets paid for more than he does." And some men will argue they don't even get pay for what they do.

Standing of Contestants

2 More Days to Vote

7th Ballot

Lock No. 4 Fire Dept. Carnival

VOTING CONTEST

List of Candidates up to 10 a. m. today. Next Count, 10 a. m. Thursday

To the contestant in each contest casting the most votes from 10 a. m. today (Wednesday) to 10 a. m. Thursday, will be given 100 votes and 50 votes to the ones casting the second greatest number, EXCEPT in the Young Ladies Diamond Ring Contest, where 50 votes for the first and 25 for the second will be given

Young Ladies' Diamond Ring Contest
Votes 5c Each.

Garnett Crab	738
Grace Phillips	625
Myrtle Dunmire	595
Lulu Buffle	443
Lilian Harvey	72
Elizabeth James	30
Ella Yost	27

Little Girl's Doll Contest
Votes 1c Each.

Martha Metz	1375
Georgia Jacobs	607
Ruth Jenkins	409
Margaret Eyman	74

Pretty Baby Contest
Under 5 years of age. Votes 1 c each

Annetta Metz	1707
Myrl Michener	1688
Dorothy Davis	946
Wm Flenniken	213
Louis Fraser	41

Boy's Bicycle Contest
Votes 1c Each.

Thornton Burnett	1291
Theodore Anderson	890
Robert Shanks	369
Norman Brown	362
Chas Colatch	56
Frank Wagner	27
Harry Woods	17
Tommy Heslop	14
Vincent Hallern	9
John Key	3
John Dosha	2
Edward Saoiosse	1

Homely Man's Contest
Votes 1c Each.

Harry Zellers	473
Chas. Fries	142
Gasper Lavne	57
Gus Datz	17
Bill Rabe	10
R. H. Black	12
Wm. Riley	9
Chas. Meyers	7
Lou Barko	3
Marchall Borne	5

Contest closes at 9:30 o'clock Thursday night on Carnival grounds.

Prizes at Schafer's Jewelry Store, 515 McKean, Charleroi

Classified Ads.

FOR SALE—One horse, buggy and harness. Peter Leach, Maple Creek Charleroi 'Phone. 213x3. 248-t3p

WANTED—Saleslades with or without experience. Preference given to those above 18 years of age. Good opportunity. Apply at Schulp's Department Store, Monessen, Pa. 249-t3

GIRL WANTED—At 715 McKean avenue. 249-t1

WANTED—A collector. Only a live wire need apply. Good salary to right party Apply People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue. 246-tf

WANTED—A boy's second-hand bicycle. Looks, not material but must be in running order. Address 230, Mail office. 248-tf

WANTED—[illegible] or 20 years of age, with or without store experience, who is willing to become window trimmer and card writer. Only those who are ambitious and have good reference need apply

N. W. Schulp Co.,
248-t2 Monessen, Pa

JUDGE INGHRAM ON BENCH FOR JUDGE TAYLOR

The May term of criminal court convened Monday afternoon at Washington. Judge James Ingram of Greene county is sitting in place of Judge J. F. Taylor, who on account of illness is not able to serve this term. Between 60 and 70 jurors answered roll call, and cases were called at once before both Judges McIlvaine and Ingram

A number of petty cases were disposed of Monday afternoon and Tuesday One of these was the case of E B. Iams, who had been a school teacher at West Bethlehem He was tried on a charge of perjury, Mrs. Phoebe Cook being the private prosecutor. The case grew out a license fight, in which Mrs. Cook had been an applicant at the license court. Iams was acquitted.

WILD WEST SHOW HERE FOR TODAY

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smallest and fastest working elephant in the world Tiny is some football player, who challenges any football team in the country, with a preference for college teams.

An inspiring and wonderful spectacle is the "massing of the colors," participated in by 62 horses and riders representing every country in the world This is a most gorgeous spectacle, typical of the pageants of the ancient Roman Hippodrome.

In addition is the usual exhibitions of wild west feats by cowboys and other rough riders and roping and riding bucking broncos, and other exciting and interesting features. A large crowd is in attendance this afternoon at the show and the evening performance will also draw large crowds.

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